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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Prior Application: Examiner: H. Pham

Art Unit: 2607

Attorney's Docket No.: 50169/105/ENPO

ADDRESS TO:

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 CFR 1.60 of prior application Serial No. 07/996,817, filed on December 28, 1992, entitled IN-SITU REAL-TIME MONITORING TECHNIQUE AND APPARATUS FOR ENDPOINT DETECTION OF THIN FILMS DURING CHEMICAL/MECHANICAL POLISHING PLANARIZATION, by the following named inventor(s): Wallace T.Y. TANG.

- 1. [X] Attached is a copy of the prior application, which the undersigned verifies is a true copy. (See 7 and 8 for drawing requirements.) (15 pages of specification, abstract, 20 claims, 6 sheets of drawings, copy of declaration.)
- 2. [X] The filing fee is calculated below. (Small entity fees indicated in parentheses.)

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED BY AMENDMENT BELOW

	<u>Number</u> Filed	<u>Number</u> Extra	<u>Rate</u>	Basic Fee \$730 (\$365)
Total Claims	4 - 20	0	x \$22 (x \$11)	0.00
Independent Claims	2 - 3	0	x \$76 (x \$38)	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims			\$240 (\$120)	0.00
			TOTAL FEE	\$365.00

- 3. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.
- 4. [X] A check in the amount of \$365.00 is enclosed.

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- 5. [X] Cancel in this application original Claims <u>1-16</u> of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- 6. [X] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the following sentence:
- --This application is a divisional of application Serial No. 07/996,817, filed December 28, 1992.--
 - 7. [] Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate of this sheet is attached for filing in the prior application file. (May only be used if signed by a person authorized by Rule 138 and before payment of Base Issue Fee.)
 - 8. [X] New drawings are attached, copied from the prior application.
 - 9a. [] Priority of application Serial No. _____ filed on _____, in _____ is claimed under 35 USC 119.
 - 9b. [] The certified copy of the priority document has been filed in prior application Serial No. ______, filed _______.
 - 10. [X] The prior application is assigned of record to: Endpoint Technologies, Inc.
 - The power of attorney in the prior application is to: <u>Harold C. Wegner, Reg. No. 25,258, and other members</u> <u>of the firm</u>.
 - 11b. [X] The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
 - 11c. [X] Since the Associate Power of Attorney does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the Associate Power of Attorney in the prior application is attached.
 - 12. [X] Small entity status, based on the verified statement filed in parent application Serial No. 07/996,817, filed December 28, 1992, is claimed under 37 CFR 1.28(a).

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13. [] A Preliminary Amendment is attached. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively, beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

14. [] An Information Disclosure Statement is attached.

15. [X] Address all further communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of

record.)

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